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40		3c	.30	.24
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42		6c	.25	.24
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45		24c	.85	
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49		10c	.55	
50		25c	.50	
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60		5c		.25
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The Third Page

Popular Stamps

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New 50-Cent Stamp

Postmaster General G. Edouard Rinfret announces that on the 1st March a newly designed 50-cent postage stamp will be issued to replace the current design of this denomination. (It is expected the new stamp will be in use for some years.)

The new issue postage stamp displays a scene that typifies activities in the oil fields of Alberta. The advances made in the discovery and development of natural oil is recognized as one of the most significant post-war contributions to Canada's economy. The new stamp will be the same size as the current 50-cent postage stamp, approximately 1½"x1", and will be Green in colour. 50 stamps to a sheet.

First Day Covers of this new issue will be handled only by the Post Office at Ottawa, and will be despatched on the date of issue, 1st March, 1950. In view of the high value of the new issue stamp no cover service charge must be paid in order to have covers serviced by the Department. Principal post offices in Canada will have the new stamp on sale on the 1st of March.

The usual rules apply to ordering of 1st day covers, which we have published time and again. In this instance such covers go to the Postmaster at Ottawa. Remittances are to be payable to the Receiver General of Canada. U.S. customers remit in U.S. funds at current official rate of exchange. However, U.S. postal money orders are payable in Canada in Canadian funds. U.S. postal notes

cannot be accepted in Canada as is obvious when they are payable only in the U.S. patrons outside Canada and the U.S. remit by International Postal Money Order.

London Philatelic Society's annual exhibition held this year on January 28th drew guests from as far distant as Montreal, Toronto and Detroit. Over one hundred remained for the banquet. In the auction of stamps an 1857 half penny rose brought $35.00. Numerous 3d beavers were also popular. President of the London Society is T. W. Clark and secretary, T. W. Stewart.

My Approvals

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Cobden, Ontario, February, 1950.

We see by the last T.S.C.C. Bulletin that Harold Lambe is leaving for Vancouver. Brrr! And all that winter weather in B.C., to the contrary! "Revenuer" Goodwin R. Harris drew the club's thanks for one of their mose outstanding programs at their January 19th meeting.

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5c	.06	.25	.45
7c	.09	.36	.60
10c	.13	.55	.85
14c	.18	.75	1.10
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Prizewinning Collection Writeup

Writing up of collections is something we have heard much about but of which we have seen but little. We have seen many collections, some in cheap albums, others in leather bound volumes. We have seen them mounted carelessly and we've seen them mounted to the five-thousandth of an inch for perfect alignment. But for written up collections we've only seen a couple to the hundred. The best of these (and we're going to mention it, hoping the owner won't mind) is a collection of Mr. Gerald E. Wellburn's. Done in a copperplate style of handwriting it was further enhanced by carefully drawn pen sketches. Well balanced in the matter of subject matter and open spaces this written up collection was a work of art.

Only by seeking beyond the stamp itself and learning about its purpose, its service and the history of the stamp's country does stamp collecting proceed to become philately and not just collecting. Thus to collecting is added something more than mere pleasure. Research and placing of one's findings in writing adds to knowledge.

That many have never seen a written up collection prompts us to reproduce one in Popular Stamps. We recently received a duplicate copy (less the stamps) of a collection of three sheets of Canadian stamps which won the J. H. Garland Challenge Cup for 1949 at the Bristol North Philatelic Society, England, with Mr. W. H. Waltham, of Bristol, the winner. Page one has been reproduced by an engraving on the next page. This will show the script and style of layout. Following this engraving we present a typeset reproduction of pages two and three. Though written for a British audience, the various descriptives will also be of interest to Canadians.

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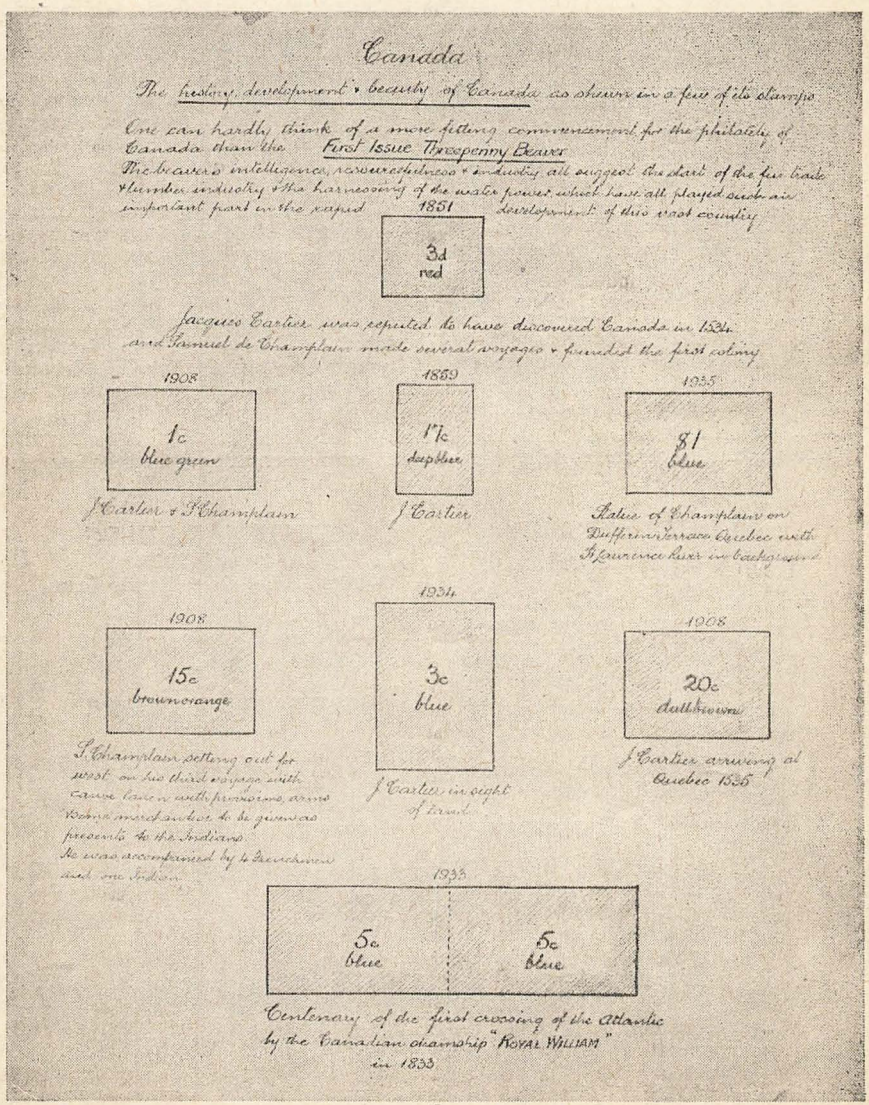

Second Page of Prizewinning Writeup.

CANADA

1927

60th Anniversary of Confederation

A writer in a New York paper recently expressed the opinion that "of all stamps issued throughout the world since 1840 there is no single adhesive more interesting or instructive" than this stamp. To the outsider as well as to the Canadian himself the tiny engraving reveals the very heart and essence of Canada. Through a Gothic window casement symbolizing the old world culture from which the Canadian people sprang, we see five different methods of mail transport against a background which reveals something of Canada's vastness, beauty and diversity. In the background is a lofty peak typical of Canada's great mountain ranges. This is a free rendering of Mt. Cathedral in Yoho National Park. In the foreground is a railway line along which a transcontinental train is speeding and between the mountains and the foreground is an arm of the sea down which an ocean liner is steaming. In the foreground there is a stretch of prairie with a pony express rider carrying a mail bag on which appears the smallest bit of engraving ever attempted on a postage stamp. On the mail bag so small as to be indecipherable by the naked eye appears the words "Canadian P.O." This delicate piece of work was carried out by the Canadian Bank Note Co. of Ottawa. Two more methods of Canadian mail transport are depicted on this ingenious stamp. Beyond the train on a stretch of snow covered ground, a dog train mushes along with H. M. Mails, and in the sky to complete the picture and bring it up to date, are two air mail planes off to the hinterland. These two modes of mail conveyance are sharply contrasted yet quite characteristic of the Canadian background for they are both in general use throughout the remote areas which cannot be readily served in other ways and the aeroplane is slowly but surely winning its way as a mail carrier between Canada's widely separated urban centres.

20c orange

Air Mail 1935

6c red brown **6c red brown**

One of the most beautiful stamps of the 20th century. The subject is classical and its treatment shows that Canadian stamps can achieve distinction in the realm of abstract art. Against a background of sea and mountain the mythical figure of Daedalus is shown in flight. The background is the view across the straight of Georgia from Oak Bay, near Victoria, B.C.

1928

Engraving of the famous fishing schooner "Bluenose" and the U. S. A. contestant "Columbia" from photographs taken on the occasion of the International Fishermen's Race Off Halifax Harbour in 1926 when "Bluenose" won.

50c blue

The Bluenose was built at Lunenburg, Nova Scotia, 1920-21 and notwithstanding her remarkable racing record she was used as a practical fishing schooner year after year with a crew of 20 and a successful record of catches. She was on display at the Century of Progress Exhibition at Chicago in 1933 and proceeded to England in 1935 where she was in line at Spithead when King Geo. V reviewed the British Fleet for the last time.

Third Page of Prizewinning Writeup.

CANADA

1928-29

20c
lake

Harvesting with horse drawn equipment and small scale farming. A Canadian transcontinental train on scenery form background.

1927

12c
blue

Map of Canada showing the political boundaries of 1867 & 1927. Shows the growth from nucleus of 1867 to the sweep of the full Dominion from sea to sea.

1930-31

20c
red

Prairie harvesting scene on a large scale with modern equipment and grain elevators in the distance.

1946

14c
sepia

Big Power Station on the St. Maurice River, near Quebec.

1928-29

12c
grey black

Quebec Cantilever Bridge which is numbered among the outstanding engineering achievements of its kind.

1946

$1
purple

Modern Canadian train ferry which operates from mainland to Prince Edward Is.

1934

10c
olive green

Commemorating the Settlement in Canada of the United Empire Loyalists 1776 - 1784. Design from a well known statue in Princess Square, Hamilton, Ontario.

1939

3c
black & carmine

Royal Visit to Canada of King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, 15th May, 1939.

1928-29

10c
green

Mt. Hurd in Canadian Rockies. Based on Oil Painting "The Ice crowned Monarch of the Rockies" by F. M. Bell Smith. At either side is a Totem pole of a bear fraternity belonging to a B.C. tribe of Indians.

1935

10c
carmine

A R.C.M. Police constable on horseback. Very popular with stamp collectors and public for whom the R.C.M.P. stands as the personification of British Justice, both protective and relentless. Fine effect of distance conveyed by engraver.

1933

5c
blue

Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Described in G. B. Philatelic Journal as "a masterpiece of engraving and balance of design."

1949

4c
green

John Cabot and his 3 sons with a crew of 18 men sailed from Bristol on 10th May, 1497, and discovered Newfoundland (now a province of Canada). As a reward King Henry VII granted Cabot a pension of £20 a year "out of the Customs of Bristowe."

British America George VI

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121 5s Ship	1.50	1.75
122 10s Colony Arms	3.00	3.50
123 £1 Geo. VI	6.75	7.75
124-125 Peace (2)	.12	.18
126 1d perf. 12½	.20	.20
126 1d perf. 14½x14	.07	.07
127 2½d violet	.07	.08
128 3½d blue	.09	.10
129 1d Wedding	.05	.05
130 £1 Wedding	8.25	8.75
131-140 1c to 24c (10)	.75	.85
141 48c Arms	.44	.48
142 $1.20 Arms	1.00	1.10
143 $2.40 Arms	2.00	2.20
144 $4.80 Arms	3.95	4.35
145-148 U.P.U. (4)	.41	.48
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138-140 Coronation (3)	.20	.25
141 ½d Colony Seal	.03	.03
142 1d Island	.04	.04
143 1½d Kingstown	.05	.05
144 2d Colony Seal	.06	.06
145 2½d Beach	.10	.10
145A 2½d Park	.07	.07
146 3d Colony Seal	.08	.08
146A 3½d Beach	.09	.10
147 6d Colony Seal	.15	.15
148 1s Park	.30	.30
149 2s Colony Seal	.60	.65
149A 2s6d Colony Seal	.75	.85
150 5s Colony Seal	1.50	1.75
150A 10s Colony Seal	3.00	3.30
151 £1 Colony Seal	6.00	6.75
152-153 Peace (2)	.12	.18
154 1½d Wedding	.07	.07
155 £1 Wedding	7.25	7.25
156-164 1c to 24c (9)	.68	.75
165 48c Colony Seal	.44	.48
166 60c Colony Seal	.55	.60
167 $1.20 Colony Seal	1.00	1.10
168 $2.40 Colony Seal	2.00	2.20
169 $4.80 Colony Seal	3.95	4.35
170-173 U.P.U. (4)	.41	.48

	Mint	Used
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47-49 Coronation (3)	.20	.25
50/61 Cur. 1c-24c (9)	.68	.25
52 3c Obsolete	1.00	.12
53 4c Obsolete	1.80	.80
58 60c Blue Basin	.55	.15
59 $1.20 Geo. VI	1.00	.30
60 $4.80 Geo. VI	3.95	3.75
62-63 Peace (2)	.12	.18
64 3c Wedding	.06	.06
65 $4.80 Wedding	7.50	8.50
66-69 U.P.U. (4)	.41	.48
TURKS & CAICOS IS.		
75-77 Coronation (3)	.20	.25
78/86A Cur. ¼d-1s (9)	.58	.65
85 6d obsolete	.80	.90
86 1s obsolete	.95	1.10
87 2s Salt Industry	.44	.50
88 5s Salt Industry	1.00	1.10
89 10s Salt Industry	2.00	2.20
90-91 Peace (2)	.12	.18
92 1d Wedding	.06	.06
93 10s Wedding	4.00	4.95
94 ½d Ship	.03	.03
95 2d Ship	.06	.06
96 3d Flag	.08	.08
97 6d Map	.15	.15
98 2s Centenary	.60	.65
99 5s Centenary	1.50	1.65
100 10s Centenary	2.90	3.25
101-104 U.P.U. (4)	.41	.48
84 3d Geo. VI	.06	.07
85A 6d Geo. VI	.12	.13
86A 1s Geo. VI	.24	.25
VIRGIN IS.		
73-75 Coronation (3)	.20	.25
76-83 ½d to 1s (8)	.58	.65
84 2s6d Geo. VI	.55	.60
85 5s Geo. VI	1.00	1.10
86 10s Geo. VI	2.00	2.20
87 £1 Geo. VI	3.95	4.35
88-89 Peace (2)	.12	.18
90 2½d Wedding	.10	.11
91 £1 Wedding	4.50	5.25
92-95 U.P.U. (4)	.41	.48

Prices in Canadian dollars and subject to change without notice. A supplementary order is advisable. Want lists solicited for any British American stamps, including Geo. VI perf. varieties.

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Canadian Easter (Crippled Children's) Seals

By CHAS. ARMSTRONG and BERT L. BAULCH

Easter and Christmas Seal collecting are sidelines of Stamp Collecting and just as fascinating.

The first Canadian Easter Seal was issued in 1945 by the Children's Hospital Aid Society of Calgary in the Province of Alberta, and has continued until 1949 inclusive. British Columbia was next in 1946 with a seal issued by the Lions Crippled Children's Fund of Vancouver, B.C., and has continued until 1949 inclusive. Ontario had Easter Seals in 1947 and 1948 issued by the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, Toronto. Manitoba and Quebec united with Ontario in 1949 by using the same seal. These additional distributors were—the Rotary Club of Montreal and the Kinsmen Club of Winnipeg. The Quebec seal was bilingual.

The goal is to have a nation-wide seal which will be a decided aid in distribution. The first United States Easter Seal was issued in 1934 and was participated in by eight States. This was a decided success with a sale of 22 million seals. The distribution of seals has now risen to more than a billion with all but three States participating.

As with Christmas Seals, the issues in Canada and the United States sometimes have similar designs. The Alberta 1945 and 1947 and the U.S. 1943 seals have only a slight difference in design and colour.

A collection of seals contain perforated and imperf: fine and coarse roulette; and minor varieties such as printers identifying marks, etc. All are offset style of printing. Progressive colour proofs were first issued in 1947 by Ontario.

The following is an initial catalogue of the Canadian Easter Seals. Any additions and suggestions will be welcome:

ALBERTA

1945 1946 1947 1948 1949

1945—Similar to U.S. 1943, which was designed by T. Arthur Turner. Can be distinguished from the U.S. Seal by panel in front of figure which contains the words "Help Alberta". Pink, violet, blue. Coarse Roulette.

1946—Light blue, green, black. Coarse Roulette.

1947—Same design as 1945, but different colours—yellow, purple, green. Perf. 12½x12.

1948—Yellow, red, dark blue. Perf. 12½. Outside stamps straightedge.

1949—Pink, violet, turquoise blue. 100 stamps on sheet. Perf. 12½, imperf edge of sheet. Information as to designers, printers, number issued, etc. not available.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

1946—Orange, purple, green, multicolour. Sheet of 50 subjects, imperf on edge. Fine Roulette.

1947—Dark blue, yellow, red, green, black. Sheet of 50 subjects, imperf on edge. Perf. 12½.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—Grant & Sons Ltd., Lithographers, Vancouver, B.C.

1946 1947 1948 1949

1948—Dark blue, light blue, buff, tan. Sheet of 50, perf. 12½, imperf edge. Sheet of 50 coarse Roul., imperf edge. In this year the remainders of 1946 were overprinted. "1948" in small black type above the panel on bottom. Number issued 350,000 sheets. 23,000 sheets surcharged.

1949—Black, yellow, red. Sheet of 50 subjects, imperf edge. Number issued 350,000 sheets. Perf. 12½.

MANITOBA — ONTARIO — QUEBEC — SASKATCHEWAN

1947 1948 1949 1949 1950

1947—Violet, ochre, dark blue, designed by Mr. Richard Bradley, Toronto, printed by Arthur-Jones Ltd., Toronto, 40,000,000 seals issued. Sheet of 100, imperf edge, perf 12, imperf, progressive color proofs (4) imperf.

1948—Light blue, rose, black, designed by Mr. R. W. Hopper, Toronto, printed by Arthurs - Jones Ltd., Toronto, 55,000,000 issued, 100 seals on sheet. imperf edge of sheet, perforated 12, imperf, P.C.P. (4) imperf, dark blue (experiment) imperf.

1949 — MANITOBA and ONTARIO yellow, red, black, brown; designed and printed by the British American Bank Note Co., Ltd., Ottawa; 92,000,000 issued, sheet of 100 subjects, imperf edge. Slogan on top of sheet in black, brown, "Every Easter Seal you use is a message of Hope". Stamps on bottom, left and right side of sheet straight-edge, printers identifying mark under 56th seal. Four hundred printed on a sheet of gummed paper 18¼"x21", the sheets were perforated and cut into sheets of 100 size 10⅛"x8⅛". The slogan appears on top of the perforation on each sheet perf. Perf. 11. Imperf. P.C.P. (4) imperf.

QUEBEC

1949—Bilingual, same as Ontario and Manitoba but "Enfants infirmes" added in bottom panel; also additional slogan "chaque timbre de paques Quebec vous apposez est un Rayon d'espair". 25,500,000 issued, 100 to sheet, imperf edge. Perf. 11. Imperf. P.C.P. (4) imperf.

1950 — Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Quebec seals, same design except that Quebec Seal is bilingual. Colours—violet, green, yellow. 200,000,000 issued. Imperfs and progressive colour proofs.

The Hollow Tree

By Ed. Richardson

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#52 McGreely's Express

Every now and then a copy of this "Bogus Local" stamp pops up. If you don't know what it looks like see **Scotts U.S. Specialized**—under Locals—#155L1,—an older issue, not the current one, as they have dropped it from the listing.

In a batch of covers picked up recently what do I find but a copy of this "stamp", along side of a pair of Canada #126 neatly cancelled Dawson, Y.T., Canada. Just goes to prove that just because a stamp is cancelled,—does not make it genuine!

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#53 3d Plate Proof

Refer to Hollow Tree packet #36 in September 1949 issue. The proofs mentioned here as being on "laid cardboard" are really on India, **Privately mounted on card.** Apparently a large block or sheet of these were so mounted, as other copies have shown up in at least two other collections.

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#54 Canada Booklet #163c

While attending a recent Auction in New York City I picked up as a floor bidder a nice complete booklet of #163c. I needed the booklet, and since it is a rather scarce one was happy to get it rather cheaply. Imagine my surprise in examining it upon my return home to find the panes all with "No 4" in the margins.

In the same auction, I also purchased a lot described as containing 3 panes, #163a, 166a, and 167a. Imagine also my surprise to find it was the really quite rare "French Cover", complete booklet. Two thrills in twenty minutes on the auction floor is enough for me in one day.

Who says you can't find "sleepers" any more?

LETTER RE P.O. ACCOUNTS

Dear Sir:

With reference to the article headed "Early Post Office Accounts" in your December, 1949, issue, I have in my possession several covers marked in the upper right corner, in the same handwriting as the address, "charge box 160". Some of these are further stamped "paid" with the numeral of value following. These letters are from a company in Trenton about 1860-61.—C.L.W.

Rev. W. H. Dav , 25 Glenfern Ave., Hamilton, Ont., writes that there are quite a number of lads in the Hamilton Sanitarium who are enthusiastic stamp collectors but handicapped by limited allowances. If collectors care to send him duplicates he offers to see that they reach the proper authorities for distribution among these shut-ins.

OBITUARY

The passing in Toronto recently of Major General Robert Rennie, in his 88th year, lost to philately one of Canada's oldest and long time devotees of the hobby. His connection with the Rennie Seed Co. with coast to coast correspondence afforded his early years with a fruitful source of supply, and we number among our own items a number of Rennie Seed Co. covers of the nineties. He also was en expert marksman and won a number of medals at rifle shoots.

OVERPRINTING OF CANADIAN STAMPS

The new issue 50-cent stamp will be available overprinted O.H.M.S. Subsequent to the last announcement listing stamps overprinted O.H.M.S., the current 10-cent Special Delivery stamp, originally issued in 1946, has also been overprinted O.H.M.S.

The 14c Excise Stamps

Submitted By W.S.R.

Anyone who saves Canadian Revenues knows that there are many interesting stories connected with these issues.

For instance, if you were to make a collection of provisonal stamps, you would ordinarily find it very difficult and probably very expensive to acquire a representative collection.

(A Provisonal is usually a surcharged stamp issued to take care of a particular demonination which has been sold out.)

In the current series of Canadian Revenue Excise stamps there are to be found many of these provisonal items. And to the joy of the average collector a good many of these provisonals aren't too illusive. Recently the Canadian Government created a 14c Excise tax rate. However, there just weren't any 14c Excise Tax Stamps, as there had never been any previously issued. However, since there were overstocks of various demoninations it was decided to use some of these by surcharging the new demonination over the old value. Therefor, some of these overstocked stamps were surcharged for the new 14c rate, subsequently other combinations soon followed. Here is a list of the 14c surcharged provisionals.

Blue 14 on 3/16c red 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on ¼c green 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on ¼c green 1915 issue.
Red 14 on 1c blue 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on 7c brown 1915 issue.
Red 14 on 7c brown 1915 issue.
Red 14 on 9c violet 1915 issue.
Red 14 on 15c blue 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on 25c blue 1934 issue.
Red 14 on 40c violet 1915 issue.
Red 14 50c blue 1934 issue.
Red 14 on 70c blue 1934 issue.
Red 14 on $2 green 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on $2 green 1934 issue.
Red 14 on $3 green 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on $3 green 1934 issue.
Red 14 on $4 green 1934 issue.
Blue 14 on $4 green 1934 issue.
Red 14 on $5 green 1934 issue.

I believe this to be a complete list of the 14c surcharged Excise Stamps.

The Excise Tax on playing cards is 14c, double decks 28c. Here naturally the same condition prevailed and we have the following 28c surcharges, all on the 1934 series of stamps.

Blue 28 on 2¼c Red.
Blue 28 on 12c blue.
Red 28 on 12c blue.
Blue 28 on 20c red.

Finally the Canadian Government issued a 14c blue Excise Stamp and thus ended the story of the 14c surcharges.

This is only one of the many interesting features prevailing in the collecting of Canadian Revenues. Anyone wishing information on Canadian Revenues or the Canadian Revenue Society can write W. Rockett, 318 Elm Ave., Glenside, Pa. Members of the publicity committee of the Canadian Revenue Society, or to the CRS secretary, Edwin Morris, 4046 Vendome Ave., Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

INTERESTING BOOK

"The Great Mail", by Leonard V. Huber and Clarence W. Wagner, published by the American Philatelic Society, P.O. Box 800, State College, Pa., U.S.A., price $5.00, is a Postal History of New Orleans. Bound in hard covers, running to 200 pages, profusely illustrated, it is a most interesting book, and splendid evidence of the work the A.P.S. is doing for philately. While the writer's interests have leaned toward Canada philatelic matters, to the probable neglect of enjoyment in that of other countries, he thoroughly enjoyed this work on an historic section of our neighboring republic. He could wish that someone would do a like service for Canada. Space doesn't permit lengthy review, but it deals with Louisiana from the time of the Louisiana purchase to end of the 19th century. Written from the angle of postal service development the authors have woven sidelights from history on Mississippi navigation, early railroading, yellow fever days, Louisiana lottery, etc., that would make the book interesting to the non-philatelist as well as collector. Essentially interesting to those in the United States we hazard there are many Canadians who would enjoy this book.

WHAT WAS FIRST DAY?

An Ottawa correspondent writes us that he was fortunate enough to secure stamps of the unrevised Geo. VI Canada issue on January 20th, first day on sale in Ottawa. He prepared a number of covers and got them in the mail during the afternoon. Another lot which he was unable to get in the mail before 11 p.m. His afternoon covers came through with the Jan. 20th postmark but the later and far larger lot showed up with postmark of 12.30 a.m., Jan. 21st. Naturally disappointed and out of pocket he wrote the Philatelic Branch and was informed that the post office staff had not been alerted to handle first day covers as the P.O.D. had previously specifically announced that no first date of issue would be specified. Regulations require changing of cancellation dates at midnight and that the date appearing on his cover would be the actual date on which they were postmarked. It is also intimated that it didn't necessarily follow that Jan. 20th was the first date of issue of these stamps, a it is known that they were available, at least some denominations, elsewhere in Canada on earlier dates.

Popular Stamps would be interested to learn the first day on which the unrevised stamps were put on sale anywhere in Canada. Jan. 21st is the earliest date we have noted on mail coming to this office.

STAMPS BY MAIL

With all the different dealers advertising stamps in the various stamp journals of the land we have sometimes wondered how there was business enough to go around. Then we realize that there are hundreds of thousands of stamp collectors. We also realize that selling of stamps is one of the big mail order businesses. True, there are dealers with pretentious stores in the city but we hazard, like our own Eaton's or Simpson's, and Sears Roebuck in the U.S., their mail order customers form a big part of the parent store's business. Somehow buying by mail has an appeal—besides in many instances being a source of supply not otherwise available to the customer who may live in the smaller place where there are no such stores. In our own intensive stamp collecting days we got a thrill out of buying stamps by mail. Dealer ads made us curious as well as offering our needs. One had something we wanted, and another had something else. We learned to know many dealers by mail. We shopped around and made comparisons. The ones whose service and personality, as judged by their mailings appealed to us the most had the edge on repeat orders. The indifferent we forgot. We doubt if we bought two per cent of our stamps over a dealer's counter, and the few times that we did there was never quite the same kick to be had as when we spent an evening brousing through the ads and dealers' price lists for a selection of stamps to be ordered and delivered by mail. Somehow to us there's something analogous or related between stamp collecting and stamp buying when the mail has so much to do with the matter.

P.O.D. LETS DOWN BARS

A correspondent suggests congratulations to Postmaster General the Hon. E. G. Rinfret who through Mr. W. J. Turnbull, Deputy P.M.G., has authorized the sale in all post offices of postage stamps to collectors. So, without political bias we pass it along. The old order of no sale of stamps by postmasters to collectors received some adverse criticism in the U.S. press last fall. Whether this publicity or realization on the part of the P.O.D. that sale of stamps to collectors affords a nice bit of revenue has resulted in the new order is beside the point. No doubt there are numerous American collectors among our tourists each summer who would leave us welcome U.S.A. dollars through purchase of such stamps from local post offices, to say nothing of the convenience to collectors at home.

"Jamaican Obliteration Numbers" is a 16 page booklet that will interest those among B.N.A. collectors who include B.W.I. items in their collecting. It is written by L. C. C. Nicholson, a Jamaican authority ,and may be had for $1.50 from W. & S. Stamps, Ltd., 309 Old Kent Road, London, S. E. 1, England.

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ANNOUNCE CONVENTION DATE

The Canadian Philatelic Society is pleased to announce that their Annual Convention and Exhibition will be held in Windsor, Ontario on April 13th, 14th and 15th, 1950 under the sponsorship of the recently organized "Motor Cities Stamp Collectors Congress".

An interesting program is being arranged and CPS members are urged to participate in the Exhibition which will be held in St. Alphonsus Hall in downtown Windsor. Exhibitors will compete for "The Brisley Trophy" The Canadian Bank of Commerce "Silver Tray" and other awards.

The three day Convention will be climaxed by a Banquet at the Prince Edward Hotel on Saturday, April 15th.

It is expected that collectors and friends from many sections of Canada and the United States will gather in Windsor to make this an event long to be remembered.

Inquiries should be directed to the following who are the Chairman of the respective Canadian Philatelic Society Committees.

Convention—Stanley W. Hill, 326 Jefferson Blvd., Riverside, Ontario.

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FRATERNIZATION

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NEW PHILATELIC SERVICE

A recent P.O.D. directive authorizes Canadian postmasters to sell stamps for philatelic purposes. This shows the Department is becoming collector conscious. Previously Postmasters were not allowed to cater to collectors in service other than given to the public generally. Just what the new order will provide we do not know but presume collectors will be granted some personal service and attention postmasters were not allowed to give in the past. It should be a convenience to the tourist with philatelic leanings as well to those at home who wish to secure their stamps without the trouble of ordering from the philatelic agency.

NORTH TORONTO EXHIBITION

One of the most famous stamp collections in the world will be seen for the first time in Canada at the exhibition of the North Toronto Stamp Club, York Masonic Temple, Eglinton and Yonge Sts., Toronto, on March 25. The public is invited without admission charge.

His Eminence Cardinal Francis J. Spellman, Archbishop of New York, has graciously consented to display seven frames of his beautifully mounted and decorated collection depicting "Religion on Stamps." These have been features at the American Philatelic Society exhibition at Boston last year and other great stamps shows. They are an outstanding example of what stamp collecting can do as an educational medium through popular appeal.

Proceeds from a raffle at the exhibition go to help maintain the club's cot at the I.O.D.E. Hospital for convalescent children. All interested are invited to attend this event one of Canada's largest annual stamp shows.

B.N.A. CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

At the Annual Meeting of the B.N.A. Collectors Club of Montreal which was held on January 17th, the following were appointed through vote of the members: President, C. G. Kemp; Vice Pres., Reg. Barraclough; Secretary, P. Hurst; Treasurer, S. Brooks; Directors, C. DeVolpi, G. Henshaw, R. M. Watson.

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Ontario "Nixie" List

In an idle moment we picked up a 1937 Post Office Distribution List for the Province of Ontario. At the back of the book were 19 pages of post office names under the heading "Nixie List, Ontario", listing post offices closed and names changed since the inauguration of Rural Mail delivery. About 1700 post office names are listed, with probably 5% of these having been given new names.

The thought coming to us was that it would make an interesting postmark collection if one could gather the pmks. of these old post offices. Coming to the M's. we were startled to find there was once a post office named McCready, which reminds us that one has no monopoly on a name, even though the family record shows that the writer's father brought the McCready name for our branch of the clan out from the old sod in the late 80's. Thus our line is limited to his three sons bearing that name, and of course the latter's children. But then the post office wasn't named after us. Yet that leads to another point, that the writer has resided in a number of parts at various times, far distant from each other, and always found there were McCreadys resident there before him—no relation whatever. So the Smiths and the Browns, the Blacks and the Joneses aren't the only ones sharing their names with the multitude.

However, back to the Nixie List. There were lots of other post offices named after families. And besides those there were many intriguing names. Here are a few: Acacia, (must have been someone with a fraternal leaning who named that one), (Aloa (South Sea flavor), Antioch (biblical), Avon (Poetic), Baldoon (an odd story to this one), Belfast (Musta been an Irishman around when this one named), Brandy Creek (we give up on this one), Coble Hill (was it stony there?), Davenport (How about it Les.), Dead Creek (Oh! Oh!), Drew (You, too, George), Ezard (and that before we ever heard of Ezard Charles), Farewell (well, it's off the list now), Ford (and near Windsor, too), Gad's Hill (bet those switches grew there that pop used on sonny), Hamlet (some lover of Shakespeare Musta been around), Jarrett (another philatelist's name made use of), Kitigan (rather nice sounding), Laurier (well, we expected that one. Page Mr. St. Laurent), Lotus (More Poetry), and now we're down to the Mc's that started us off. Let's call it a day.

"P.O." ON NEW BRUNSWICK POSTMARKS

By Frank W. Campbell

In the December issue I discussed the "W.O." (for Way Office) markings on a couple hundred markings for New Brunswick post offices.

Three letters have arrived noting they have an error in that "P.O." was used. This P.O. is not an error. It was used for the larger, or "Regular" offices that were post offices in the full sense, the smaller ones being Way offices that were substations, sort of, to the closest Regular office. The P.O. just meant it was a Post Office, not a Way Office.

These were used by the New Brunswick postal system for some years before Canada assumed control in 1867, and as an idication of the proportion using them the 1865 figures for post offices, indicated 45 Regular offices, which would use "P.O." and 369 Way offices, which would use "W.O."

After Confederation in 1867 these Way offices were gradually reduced by closing many, and elevating the larger ones to "Regular" offices.

OTTAWA PHILATELIC SOCIETY

The Society is having a very good season. An auction is held on the first Thursday of each month and a raffle on other Thursdays. They recently held a most successful Philatelic Quiz with prizes of stamps for the winner and runner-up. Also possibility of an exhibition later on, in the winter, and are exploring the possibility of an exhibition later on probably in the fall. Visitors are always welcome. The society meets every Thursday (except in the months of July and August) at the Chateau Laurier at 8 p.m.

Canada Plateblocks

Scott No.			Price Block
147	12c Laurier	(6)	1.35
148	20c Baldwin	(6)	3.25
156	12c Quebec	(6)	2.15
157	20c Reaper	(6)	2.50
162	1c orange	(4)	.18
167	3c red	(4)	.28
169	5c violet	(4)	.55
170	5c blue	(4)	.55
172	8c orange	(4)	.65
173	10c Library	(4)	1.30
174	12c Citadel	(4)	.95
175	20c Harvester	(4)	2.80
192	3c Conference	(4)	.30
194	13c Conference	(4)	1.70
197	3c Medallion	(4)	.45
198	4c Medallion	(4)	6.50
199	5c Medallion	(4)	1.25
202	5c P. Union	(4)	1.50
203	20c Regina	(4)	3.60
204	5c R. William	(4)	1.45
208	3c Cartier	(4)	.90
210	2c Brunswick	(4)	1.15
215	10c Windsor	(6)	2.35
222	8c orange	(6)	.95
223	10c Mountie	(6)	1.20
237	3c Coronation	(4)	.28
241	10c red	(4)	.70
241a	10c rose	(4)	.75
242	13c Halifax	(4)	.95
243	20c Fort Garry	(4)	1.45
244	50c Vancouver	(4)	2.80
245	$1 Chateau	(4)	5.80
249	1c green	(4)	.14
250	2c brown	(4)	.20
251	3c red	(4)	.45

Scott No.			Price Block
252	3c purple	(4)	.28
254	4c carmine	(4)	.25
255	5c blue	(4)	.45
256	8c brown	(4)	.55
257	10c brown	(4)	.70
258	13c Tank	(4)	2.50
259	14c Tank	(4)	.90
260	20c Corvette	(4)	1.15
261	50c violet	(4)	2.75
262	$1 Destroyer	(4)	5.75
268	8c brown	(4)	.55
269	10c Bear Lake	(4)	.65
270	14c Dam	(4)	.90
271	20c Reaper	(4)	1.15
272	50c Lumbering	(4)	2.80
273	$1 Ferry	(4)	5.75
274	4c Bell	(4)	.50
275	4c Citizen	(4)	.45
276	4c Princess	(4)	.45
277	4c Resp. Gov.	(4)	.30
282	4c Newfound.	(4)	.30
283	4c Halifax	(4)	.30
284	1c green	(4)	.10
285	2c brown	(4)	.15
286	3c purple	(4)	.20
287	4c red	(4)	.25
288	5c blue	(4)	.35
C5	6c Daedalus	(6)	1.80
C6	6c 1938	(4)	1.35
C8	7c 1943	(4)	.55
C9	7c Geese	(4)	.50
CE1	16c Sp. Del.	(4)	1.15
CE2	17c Sp. Del.	(4)	1.15
CE3	17c Error	(4)	3.35
CE4	17c Sp. Del.	(4)	1.15

NEWFOUNDLAND PLATEBLOCKS

253	1c gray	(4)	.10
254	2c green	(4)	.15
255	3c carmine	(4)	.20
256	4c blue	(4)	.25
257	5c Caribou	(4)	.30
258	7c Queen Mary	(4)	.42
259	8c Paper Mill	(4)	.48
260	10c Salmon	(4)	.60
261	14c Dog	(4)	.84
262	15c Seal	(4)	.90
263	20c Cape Race	(4)	1.20
264	24c Bell Island	(4)	1.44
265	25c Sealing Fleet	(4)	1.50
266	48c Fishing Fleet	(4)	2.88
267	30c University	(4)	1.80
269	4c Elizabeth	(4)	.25
270	5c Cabot	(4)	.30
C19	7c Airmail	(4)	.50

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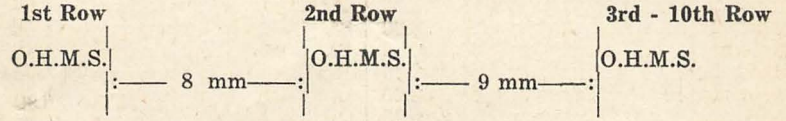
Some Varieties in the Recent O.H.M.S. O'prints

By Colin H. Bayley, Ottawa, Ont.

The appearance redently of the O.H.M.S. Overprints which are the first overprinted Canadian stamps to be put out since E9 in 1939 will undoubtedly result in a hunt for possible varieties (viz) missing periods, malformed letters, etc.

I have recently had an opportunity to examine three sheets of each of the four lower values and find some features of possible interest. The 1c Plate 31 LR, 2c Plate 4 UL, 3c Plate 34 UR, 4c Plate 49 UL.

First of all with respect to the horizontal spacing of the overprint from stamp to stamp suppose we designate as "A" the horizontal distance between the last stop on one stamp and the left hand side of the "O" on the stamp to the right of it. In the sheets of one and three cent stamps the distance "A" between the first vertical rows of stamps is 8 mm and for the other vertical rows 9 mm.



Actually there appears to have been a shift in the type used in the overprinting of these stamps since in the one cent stamp, the overprint on the first vertical row is symmetrically placed with respect to its distance from the sides of the stamp, whereas on the other nine vertical rows, it is shifted to the left by 1 mm, thus creating the difference in spacing referred to above. In the three cent stamp, the overprint on the first vertical row is shifted 1 mm to the right, the overprints on the other nine vertical rows being centred.

The two and four cent sheets do not show any irregularity of spacing. There are no marked difference in the vertical distance between the overprints in any of the sheets examined.

Regarding minor flaws, I have noted the following which are constant on the three sheets examined:

2c—Stamp #16, fourth period very faint.

4c—Stamp #15, left vertical stroke of M malformed.

4c—Stamp #17, ink dot to right of M.

Obviously the above study is in no way exhaustive and my only reason in recording it is to stimulate other collectors and dealers who may have access to complete sheets of these stamps to look them over carefully and report their findings.

Specifically, I would appreciate information on the following points:

(1) Are the spacing differences, referred to above, constant in the higher denominations?

(2) What are the plate numbers and positions of the panes that have been overprinted?

I think that an attempt should be made to get together a check list of these; this could be published eventually in "Popular Stamps". After all, the stock of overprints on the four low values will probably be soon exhausted and everyone knows how difficult it is to get this kind of information after a stamp is obsolete.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Ottawa, Ontario,
January 9, 1950.

Dear Mr. McCready:

I have noticed in the newer issue of the .02c Coil Stamps which, I believe, are perforated 9½, one stamp which has a white spot to the left of the King's head, and diagonal white line to the right of the King's shoulder.

I have also recently seen one of the Canadian Air Letters of the 10c value which had an error in printing. This error consisted of the spelling of CENTS as CFNTS. I am wondering if you have previously had any reports of such an error in the printing of the Air Letters.—D.C.M.

NEW ISSUES . . . by Red Eagle

UN. SO. AFRICA—3 values Voortrekkers commemorative.

SO. W. AFRICA—3 values overpt. on U. S. Af. issue.

ABYSSINIA—U.P.U. issue of 4 v.

BOLIVIA—U.P.U. issue of 3 vals.

CHINA—4 values air mail for North China.

COSTA RICA—U.P.U. issue 3 values air mail.

CZECHOSLOVAKIA—8 values air mail overpt. in new denominations.

FRANCE—1 value new air mail of 1000 francs.

PHILLIPINES — 2 values comm. for Del Pilcar.

POLAND—U.P.U. issue 3 values.

POLAND—Chopin comm. 3 vals.

LEBANON—2 values air mail.

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Aden	3.85	4.50
Aden-Kathiri	1.90	2.50
Aden Qu'aiti	1.90	2.50
Antigua	1.35	1.75
Ascension	4.95	6.00
Bahamas	6.90	8.00
Barbados	1.90	2.50
Basutoland	3.00	3.75
Bechuanaland	2.95	3.50
Bermuda	7.50	8.75
Br. Guiana	3.40	4.00
Br. Honduras	21.75	25.50
Br. Solomons	1.90	2.50
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Malta	4.75	6.00
Mauritius	8.75	10.50
Montserrat	1.45	1.75
Nigeria	1.35	1.75
North Borneo	10.75	14.50
Northern Rhodesia	7.75	8.75
Nyasaland	2.65	3.25
Pitcairn	2.25	
St. Helena	4.65	5.75
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Singapore	5.00	2.00
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RELEASE ERROR STAMPS

(Ottawa Journal, Jan. 21.)

The Post Office Department pulled a "fast one" on philatelists when late yesterday afternoon the Canadian stamps which were to have been issued on the King's Birthday last June but which were "withdrawn" because they did not bear the words "Postage" and "Postes" were placed on sale at Besserer street post office without any previous announcement being made.

Only a few in the "know" were aware of the release and were able to get there in time to despatch the prized "first-day covers" to themselves and their friends. As a result, these covers will be very scarce and probably will become valuable.

PLATE NUMBERS

Patrons are reminded that 10 stamps must be purchased in order to secure a plate number or plate number position of a 50-cent denomination stamp from the philatelic section of the P.O.D., Ottawa.

The 1949 King George VI issue postage stamps printed from plates of the **unrevised design**, that are being sold this month, were printed from plates 1 and 2 for each denomination. In addition to the 1-cent to 5-cent postage stamps, inclusive, of this design available in sheets, there are 1-cent and 3-cent and 1-cent precancelled postage stamps of this design available in rolls. No postage stamp books will be printed for this issue in the unrevised design. Postage stamp books and roll stamps will be printed for the King George VI, 1949 issue, from the **revised design** plates but they will not be available before May, 1950.

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210	.60	253	.50	276	.15
211	.10	256	.25	277	.15
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241	.10	260	.50	C7	.75
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219	3c Carmine	.05	.01
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221	5c Blue	.07	.01
222	8c Orange	.11	.04
223	10c Mountie	.14	.02
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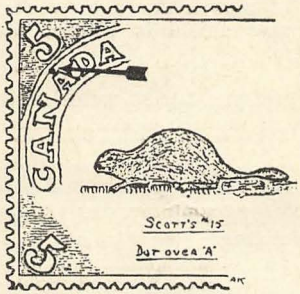
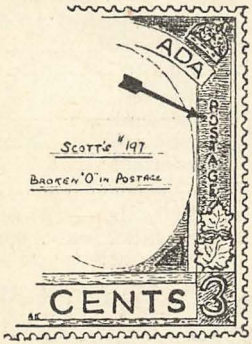
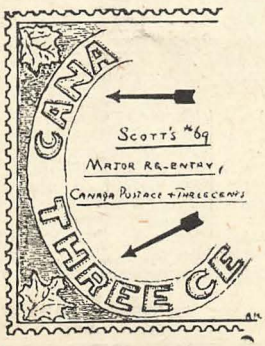


Sketch #273—Canada Scott's #15, the 5c Beaver with dot over A of Canada. Sent us by J. D. Smart.



Sketch #274—Canada Scott's 197 illustrates broken letter O in postage. Sent us by Howard M. S. Pentolow.



Sketch #275—Canada Scott's #69, the 3c Maple Leaf with Major re-entry. A really remarkable item and not entirely illustrated. Sent us by R. A. Allison.

SASKATOON STAMP CLUB NEWS!

The annual Christmas meeting of our club took the form of a specially prepared Junior and Senior evening. Mr. Carter, chairman of the Entertainment Committee prepared a most excellent program for all.

The first item was a twenty question type of stamp quiz in which both sections of the club took part. This proved very entertaining because of the great interest and keeness of the juniors.

A novel contest, conducted by H. Smith, the President, based on the number of Stamp issuing countries, commencing with any given letter of the alphabet was quite thought provoking and enjoyable.

While lunch was being served the juniors had a chance to estimate the number of stamps in a jar, as well as later taking part in a Treasure Hunt.

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H. E. Gale of Englefeld, Sask., reports another recent Canadian stamp that did postal duty in the U.S. Last fall he sent a self-addressed envelope to a New York correspondent but inadvertently stamped it with a 4c Halifax stamp instead of a U.S. stamp. In due course the cover came back postmarked out of New York. Probably the numerous U.S. commemoratives of the past few years have so accustomed postmasters across the line to seeing new stamps every few weeks that one more failed to attract their attention.

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The King has approved a recent portrait of himself for the Australian new issue of twopence-half penny stamps. This will be on sale on April 12, 1950.

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CLUB REPORTS WANTED

Tell others what you are doing. A club's doings in Ontario may have a tip for a club program in Texas. Give us a brief report of each meeting as held. Such coverage as speaker, his topic, names of films or pictures (if shown), contests, special entertainment. Some clubs send us their listings of meeting dates or meeting notices. These are no use to us. We want news of what happened at the meeting—not what's expected beforehand. Get your club in print. Give credit to your speakers and leaders at meetings by publishing their names and what they did. Send it in before first of month.

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